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therapeutically effective amount of pGLU-GLU-PRO-NH₂ as an active ingredient under time and conditions to treat said Glu induced neurotoxicity.

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10. (Twice Amended) A method of reducing Glu induced neurotoxicity in brain, spinal cord and/or retina comprising administering to a patient a composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of (a) pGLU-GLU-PRO-NH₂ and (b) N-tert-Butyl- α -(2-sulfophenyl) nitrone or a free radical scavenging nitrone that enhances the effects of pGLU-GLU-PRO-NH₂ under time and conditions to treat said Glu induced neurotoxicity.

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13. (Amended) A method of preventing Glu induced neurotoxicity in brain, spinal cord and/or retina comprising administering to a patient a composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of pGLU-GLU-PRO-NH₂ as an active ingredient under time and conditions to treat said Glu induced neurotoxicity.

Please add the following claims:

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14. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein said neuroprotective amount is about 0.5 to 10 mg per kilogram of body weight per dose.

15. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein said pharmaceutically acceptable carrier is one or more ingredients selected from the group consisting of: starch, sugar, flavoring agents, preservatives, water, organic co-solvents, flavor emulsions, oils and elixirs.

16. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein said pharmaceutically acceptable carrier affords prolonged action or sustained release.